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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the title as follows:

Porous Hydrogels

Please amend the specification by replacing paragraph at the beginning of page 1 with the following:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/755,443, filed January 5, 2001, now U.S. Patent No. 6,653,420, which claimed priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/174,460, filed January 5, 2000.

Please replace the abstract with the following:

The present invention relates to a process for the manufacture of a porous polymer; wherein a composition comprising a polymerizable component, a porogen having an inverse temperature dependent solubility and a solvent are polymerized at a temperature around the cloud point temperature of the composition. The porous polymers obtainable according to the process of the invention are useful, for example, as materials for the manufacture of biomedical devices and prostheses, including ophthalmic devices such as contact lenses or artificial corneas.